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**UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.97(b)(3)**

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**Washington, D.C. 20231**

Sir:

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.97(b)(3), applicants hereby request consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement. Applicants are providing herewith copies of the items listed on the attached U.S. Patent and Trademark Office form PTO 1449 equivalent. This Information Disclosure Statement is provided prior to the receipt of an Office Action in the subject patent application.

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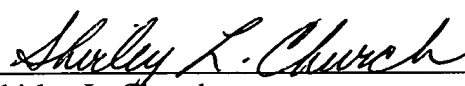
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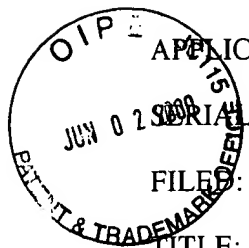
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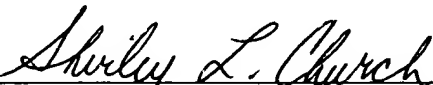
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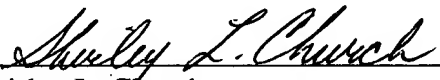
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